

Council Members Present

Joe Ayala David Maskell Lynn Boshart Bedalia Valdes Lacy Kendall

Absent

None

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes of the February meeting was voted in favor by all members.

Chairman Remarks

Councilman Ayala expressed his appreciation for being given the opportunity to serve as Chair of the MAC.

Election of New Chair and Vice Chair

Lynn Boshart declined her nomination as Chair. A motion to elect Bedalia Valdes as the new Chair was seconded and accepted. A motion to elect Lacy Kendall was seconded and accepted.

Special Presentation

Identity Theft Presentation – Lance Cantos, County District Attorney's Office

Mr. Cantos presented an extremely detailed presentation on identity theft complete with handouts. Mr. Cantos offered www.privacy.ca.gov and www.idtheftcenter.org as useful websites. For more information on Identity Theft contact Mr. Cantos at (909) 387-6531

Staff Reports

Field Representative – Lisha Smith

Mrs. Smith encouraged El Rancho Verde residents to be part of the MAC. There is still two vacancies on the Council. Applications to be considered for the MAC Council are available during each meeting. If you have any questions please call our office at (909) 387-4565.

The El Rancho Verde community clean up is scheduled for April 5, 2008. It will be held from 8a.m. to noon along outer Riverside Avenue, south of Country Club Drive.

She also reported that Rialto Police Department is addressing the issue regarding private owners and dealerships parking for sale vehicles along outer Riverside Avenue. The cars are being ticketed and Rialto PD will continue to monitor the situation.

Sheriff's Department – Captain Steve Kovensky

Captain Kovensky reported on the criminal activity in the area, including one shooting off Geremander where the residents were moving out. There is also an abandoned house on Sycamore. The perimeter is secure, please let the Sheriff's Department know if you see people there. During his presentation a resident reported that a woman was carjacked along Sycamore while coming home from Wal-mart.

Captain Kovensky suggested scheduling a Neighborhood Watch presentation at a future meeting. Flyers regarding the program were available at the meeting. Following their report Captain Kovensky answered residents' questions.

The Fontana Sheriff's Station is responsible for serving the unincorporated communities of Rialto. For non-emergency calls and/or information residents may contact the station at (909) 356-6767. For emergencies call 911.

California Highway Patrol – Officer Dale Whitham

CHP is actively seeking applications for the Senior Volunteers Program. They are actively trying to pursue parking complaints, abandoned vehicles and speed enforcement in the area. They are also checking into the abandoned grocery carts.

To report complaints residents are encouraged to contact the CHP front desk officer at (909) 383-4247. The CHP also offers a safe driving program for young drivers. For more info contact (909) 383-4247.

Special Districts – Tim Millington

A Notice to Perform letter was sent to the contractor on February 22, 2008 as the MAC directed during the February meeting. According to Mr. Millington the contractor sprayed along Riverside 4 weeks ago, and along Country Club Drive last Friday, thus the reason for the overgrowth along Country Club. There will be no weed pulling as he doesn't want to disturb the pre-emergent.

Herbicide goes through the plants so the weeds along Country Club cannot be pulled or disturbed. The contractor has put into cycle a repetitive spraying to control weeds and will maintain with the spray operation along with hand pulling in and around plant material.

Please call Special Districts for any concerns: (909) 387- 5940

Subcommittee Updates

- a. Code Enforcement – Mr. Bob Kern made a brief report.
New Development – No report.
- b. Signage – We are seeking money from donors for the Rowan signage. There is not enough yet to complete the project, which is just over \$2,000. To be discussed next month regarding a plan.
- c. Traffic Safety – No report.

Community Reports

No report.

Council Member Comments

Ms. Valdes stated that she looks forward to being Chair and will work to keep meetings detailed, informative and be sensitive to the time.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn until the next El Rancho Verde MAC meeting was seconded and carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm until the next scheduled MAC meeting on Tuesday, April 8, 2008.

Submitted by: T. Frank – El Rancho Verde MAC Secretary (909) 387-4565